

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

A.P. State Judicial Service – District Judges – Sri A.R.Sampath Kumar, formerly Judge, Family Court, R.R.Dist., now retired from service - Disciplinary proceedings initiated – Imposition of Penalty - Orders – Issued.

LAW (LA&J – SC.F) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 49

Dated: 29.04.2014.
Read the following:-

- 1) From the Registrar (Vigilance), High Court of A.P., D.O.Letter No.1741/2009- Vigilance Cell, dt.28.08.2010.
- 2) Government Memo. No. 303/SC.F/A1/2010, Law (LA & J-SC.F) Dept., Dt. 20-10-2010 and 05-11-2012.
- 3) Representation of Sri A.R.Sampath Kumar, Retd. Dist Judge, Hyd., dt.21.12.2012.
- 4) From the Secy., I/c, APPSC, Lr.No.1762/RT/1/2013, dt.19-8-2013.

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ORDER:

The Registrar (Vigilance), High Court of Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad, has stated that the High Court, having considered the letter of the Principal District Judge, Range Reddy, reporting about the irregularities in disposing of a Review Petition No.2/2009 by Sri A.R.Sampath Kumar, formerly Judge, Family Court, Ranga Reddy and remarks of the officer, decided to initiate disciplinary proceedings against the officer and in that behalf requested the Government to issue necessary sanction orders for initiating disciplinary proceedings against the officer, as he retired from service on the afternoon of 31.07.2009. Accordingly, Government decided to initiate disciplinary proceedings against the officer under sub-clause (i) of clause (b) of sub-rule (2) of Rule 9 of the Revised Pension Rules, 1980, and intimated the APHC accordingly with a request to take appropriate action and to furnish enquiry report. The High Court of A.P., framed sole articles of charge and communicated to the officer, requiring him to submit his written statement. The officer submitted his written statement.

2. The Registrar further stated that the High Court having further considered the written statement submitted by the Charged Officer in reply to the articles of charges framed against him, ordered a regular departmental enquiry against him in accordance with the provisions laid down under Rule 20 of the A.P. Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991, and nominated Hon'ble Sri Justice Ramesh Rangandhan, as Inquiring Judge to conduct the enquiry into the charge and Sri G. Lakshmipathy I Additional Metropolitan Sessions Judge, Hyderabad, was appointed as presenting officer.

3. The Hon'ble Inquiring Judge on appreciation of evidence adduced during the course of enquiry held that the single charge framed against the charged officer is proved.

4. Thereafter, the High Court, having considered the enquiry report together with the entire record of enquiry and comments of the charged officer called for and received in the matter, decided to impose a penalty of 50% cut in pension upon Sri A.R.Sampath Kumar, formerly Judge, Family Court, Ranga Reddy district, now retired from service, by way of punishment, and sent a recommendation to the Government to issue necessary orders imposing punishment of 50% cut in the pension for a period of eight (8) years upon the Charged Officer, as per Rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

5. Government after careful examination of the entire matter on the recommendations of the High Court of A.P., have provisionally decided to impose a penalty of fifty percent (50%) cut in pension under A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980, and a show-cause notice has been issued to the Charged Officer calling for his reply if any. The Charged Officer, Sri A.R.Sampath Kumar, submitted his reply. The A.P. Public Service Commission has also been consulted in the matter.

6. The Government have examined carefully the findings of the Inquiring Judge, the entire record of the enquiry, the recommendation of the High Court and reply of the Charged Officer and have come to the conclusion that the charge framed against the charged officer i.e. Sri A.R.Sampath Kumar (formerly Judge, Family Court, Ranga Reddy now Retd. from service, is proved against him and therefore decided to impose the punishment of 50% cut in pension for a period of eight (08) years.

7. Accordingly, the following notification will be published in an Extraordinary issue of the Andhra Pradesh .Gazette dt.29-04-2014.

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub rule (1) of rule 9 of the Andhra Pradesh .Revised Pension Rules, 1980, the Governor of Andhra Pradesh hereby impose the penalty of fifty percent (50%) cut in pension for a period of eight (08) years against Sri A.R.Sampath Kumar, formerly Judge, Family Court, R.R.Dist., now retired from service.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Dr.P.K.MOHANTY
CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri A.R.Sampath Kumar, District Judge (Retd.)
through the Registrar (Vigilance), High Court of A.P., Hyderabad.
The Registrar (Vigilance), High Court of A.P., Hyderabad.
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The A.P. Vigilance Commission, Hyderabad.
The Secretary, A.P.Public Service Commission, Hyderabad.
P.S. to C.S./P.S. to Secretary (LA&J), Law Dept./Law (E) Deptt.
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